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The latest LPA decision is a continuation of a massive effort by the county’s Growth Management Department and other staff to streamline and facilitate new infill development in the county’s six CRAs. The LPA previously recommended similar changes to the Jensen Beach CRA last July, which the Commission forwarded on to the state July 30. The county has worked jointly with staff from the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council on this project, who also helped draft Chapter 18, the new Comprehensive Plan chapter dedicated solely to CRAs. The LPA recommended approval of that in June, which the Commission subsequently sent to Tallahassee for approval and has now received back final approval.

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**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 14 THROUGH MONDAY, MAY 11, 2020**
- **BETA SIGMA PHI:** Women’s Service and Social Organization meetings are held monthly throughout Martin and St. Lucie Counties September-May. Please contact Mary Jackson 772-370-1665 or Leslie Janereth 772-465-2820 for dates and locations. Meeting dates are October 14; December 9, January 13; March 9; April 13; May 11. Please feel free to contact me for further information. We have chapters in both counties that meet at various times and locations.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24**
- **The Essentials of Immune Health:** It starts in the Gut Immune development begins before birth and a variety of factors influence its activity (both positively and negatively). These factors include age, diet, stress, gastrointestinal health, toxic and environmental exposures. Join us to learn how you can develop a proactive plan to build immune resources and strengthen your immune system. They are held at the Blake Library 2391 SE Monterey Rd, Stuart, from 6pm to 7pm.

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**Pet of the Week**

Sammy: Looking for a warm, friendly, couch potato of a cat? Then Sammy may just be the one for you! Sammy is 10 years old and well out of the kitten stage of crazy antics and is looking for a calm home and cuddly lap to call his own. Sammy is diabetic and it is regulated with insulin. His adoption fee has been sponsored by Florida Native Grill Cleaning. Humane Society of the Treasure Coast
There’s a mindset among many Americans that, “The best government is that which governs least.” I understand and largely accept that thought, but I do believe governments have a duty to protect those that cannot defend themselves. When I advocate passing laws to prevent car dealers from adding hidden fees to their advertised prices, or selling cars without disclosing dangerous recalls, I’m often attacked by those who say car buyers have a responsibility to discover these deceptions on their own…without government interference. It’s like saying, “If you were more careful, you wouldn’t have been cheated; you deserve what you got!”

I receive a lot of emails, calls, and letters every week from victims of car dealers who were taken advantage of in buying, leasing, and servicing their cars. They mostly call to ask what they can do to get all or some of their money back. These “victims” fall into different categories: The elderly; the very young; Those who don’t speak or understand English well; The uneducated; People with bad credit; and everybody else.

(1) The elderly, especially widows, are the most victimized. The reasons for this are that Florida, especially South Florida, is a “retirement” state. Baby boomers and pre-baby boomers make up a disproportionately large percentage of Florida’s population. Not only that, but life expectancy has soared in recent years…81 for a woman and 76 for a man. Husbands usually predecease their wives. Women’s role in the American culture is a great deal different than in the 1930s and 1940s. Often, the husband was, not only the breadwinner, but the decision maker in the household. Widows of that era are often buying their first car today. Men and women in their 70s, 80s, and 90s (Yes, I have a lot of customers in their 90s) aren’t as sharp as they once were. I’m 78 and I’ll be the first to admit this. In my opinion, men and women of my age, and older, are more trusting. We can’t forget the terrible disease, Alzheimer’s. Unless a court declares a person incompetent, a person with Alzheimer’s can legally buy a car in Florida and it happens all too often. This is one of the most despicable acts that some car dealers commit.

(2) What chance does a teenager or kid in his 20s have when negotiating with a car salesman and his manager to buy a car? Usually it’s the parents who call me to tell me how their son or daughter was taken advantage of. I don’t tell them this, but what I’m thinking is “Why didn’t they accompany them to the car dealership to advise them?”

(3) South Florida is not only a retirement area, but it’s a haven for immigrants from Cuba, Haiti, and South and Central America. Many of these are first generation Americans who have a difficult time with English or can’t speak, read, or write English at all. These people are easy prey for unscrupulous car dealers. Can you imagine how difficult it would be for you to get a fair price on a car you were buying in a foreign country where you were didn’t speak or understand the language?

(4) Let’s face it; there are too many Americans who never had the benefit of a proper education. We have too many high school dropouts and too many high school graduates who still can’t read or write as well as they must to function in our society. Lack of a good education is one of America’s most serious problems and we’re seeing other countries like China, Japan, Germany and India pass us by in educating their children. It’s almost criminal how the educated are exploited by car dealers’ advertising and sales tactics. How many car dealers’ TV and online advertisements have you seen that you laugh at, knowing that they’re totally untrue, “bait and switch” to lure you into the dealership. You wonder who would believe that kind of nonsense. The reason that car dealers keep running those ads is because they work.

(5) There are always people with bad credit who must buy a car, especially In Florida. Without an effective mass transit system, a car is virtually a necessity to get to your job or find a job, not to mention the doctor, school, or the pharmacy. People with bad credit are at the mercy of the car dealer. The main thing on these peoples’ minds is not how good a price or a car can I buy or how low an interest rate, but can they be financed? Knowing this, car dealers will charge whatever price and interest rate the lender will let them get away with. People
TREASURE COAST -- National Wildlife Refuge Week is Oct. 13-19, and there are lots of events at Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge in Vero Beach and Nathaniel P. Reed National Wildlife Refuge in Hobe Sound.

National Wildlife Refuge Week is observed the second full week of October each year. The National Wildlife Refuge System, comprised of 565 refuges throughout the country, is managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge was the nation’s first national wildlife refuge, designated in 1903 to provide a natural home for wildlife. The Nathaniel P. Reed Hobe Sound National Wildlife Refuge was established in 1969, primarily to protect loggerhead and green sea turtles.

At Pelican Island NWR, the Pelican Island Preservation Society is helping to coordinate the National Wildlife Refuge Week events. The 5th annual Indian River Bird and Art Show is Oct. 11-13. The show will be held at the Sebastian River Art Club, 1245 Main St., Sebastian.

A free featured speaker event hosted by PIPS will be Oct. 12 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. at Capt. Hiram’s Ramp Lounge, 1606 Indian River Dr., Sebastian. The speaker will be zoologist Dr. Llewelyn Erhart, an expert on marine sea turtles and professor emeritus and founder of the Marine Turtle Research Group at the University of Central Florida.

A Sunset Wine and Cheese Cruise to Pelican Island will take place Oct. 12 from 5-7 p.m. The cruise onboard Capt. Hiram’s “River King” cost $45 per person and reservations are required. Book online at www.firstrefuge.org.

There will be meet-and-greets Oct. 17 from 8-10 a.m. and Oct. 19 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at PINWR’s Centennial Trail. Visitors can ask questions of refuge volunteers. Bring a camera and binoculars for birding. Limited tram rides will be available.

The Nathaniel P. Reed Hobe Sound National Wildlife Refuge will start the week with a Scrub Trail Hike on Oct. 14 at 9 a.m. On Oct. 15 bring the young children for Nature Tales for Tots at 9:30 a.m.

Learn about the Beach Dynamics Program on Oct. 16 at 9 a.m. There will be a talk on seahorses on Oct. 17 at 1 p.m., and a talk about snakes on Oct. 18 at 1 p.m.

The Hobe Sound weeklong celebration ends Oct. 19 with Ceramics for Conservation at 10 a.m.

The National Wildlife Refuge is located at 13640 SE Federal Hwy., Hobe Sound. For more information, call (772) 546-6141 or visit www.fws.gov/hobesound.

The public use areas of Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge are located on the Historic Jungle Trail, off of US Hwy. A1A, 3.7 miles north of Wabasso Beach Road (CR 510) or 3.3 miles south of Sebastian Inlet. For more information, call (772) 381-5557.
Police report

Terell Holloway, 34, of Fort Lauderdale, was arrested Sept. 27 and charged with burglary of a conveyance, obtaining credit card through fraudulent means, obtaining goods through fraudulent use of credit card, petty theft, theft of credit card, and criminal mischief over $200 and less than $1,000.

Ryan Albright, 35, of Fort Pierce, was arrested Sept. 29 and charged with carjacking with a firearm or weapon, robbery with a firearm, and two counts of kidnapping child under 13 years of age with aggravated circumstances.

Shannon Miller, 46, of Port St. Lucie, was arrested Sept. 30 and charged with introduction of contraband into jail facility, and possession of a controlled substance.

Tyrell Johnson, 19, of Stuart, was arrested Oct. 1 and charged with armed robbery, and criminal mischief $1,000 or more.

Katherine Smith, 26, of Stuart, was arrested Oct. 2 and charged with dealing in stolen property.

Jordany Elveus, 19, of Port St. Lucie, was arrested Oct. 3 and charged with armed robbery with firearm, and resisting arrest without violence.

Jaquay Jean, 20, of North Miami, was arrested Sept. 30 and charged with carjacking with a firearm or weapon, robbery with a firearm, and two counts of kidnapping child under 13 years of age with aggravated circumstances.

Mason McHardy, 29, of Hobe Sound, was arrested Oct. 1 and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon without intent to kill.

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Daniel Prevost, 48, of Hobe Sound, was arrested Sept. 27 and charged with failure to report within 48 hours and every 30 days as sex offender.

Ryan Albright, 35, of Fort Pierce, was arrested Sept. 29 and charged with driving while license suspended (habitual offender), and driving while license suspended with disregard to safety of person or property, and driving while license suspended with knowledge.

Stephen Opsincs, 33, of Hobe Sound, was arrested Oct. 1 and charged with possession of a firearm/concealed weapon.

Mark Myers, 27, of Stuart, was arrested Sept. 28 and charged with felony battery causing great bodily harm, and battery.

Jorge Rodriguez, 24, of Stuart, was arrested Sept. 28 and charged with robbery with a firearm.

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Cebert Riggins, 28, of Fort Pierce, was arrested Oct. 4 and charged with possession of a firearm or weapon.

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Milton Weeks, 23, of Stuart, was arrested Oct. 3 and charged with fleeing with disregard to safety of person or property, and refusal to stop/remain at crash involving injury.

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Rangel Vazquez, 40, of Port St. Lucie, was arrested Oct. 4 and charged with possession of a controlled substance.

Aaron Shapiro, 52, of Plantation, was arrested Oct. 2 and charged with dealing in stolen property.

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Rants & Raves

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Please limit your submissions to 250 words, so that we can include more entries. Readers are asked to refrain from making slanderous or libelous statements.

Prayers

I’m just curious about praying while in the foxhole. Why didn’t the prayers work for the people who did get shot or hit with a grenade? There must have been some of the casualties who were saying prayers. If divine intervention prevented the hurricane from hitting Florida why did it not work for the thousands praying for it to turn before hitting the Bahamas? If your answer is god has a plan for everybody, which it often is, then why bother praying at all? If your fate is already planned then saying a prayer will not change that as that is his plan. If you feel praying helps you make it through tough times that is wonderful and I am all for that if that brings peace to you. But thinking there is a force listening to millions of people every second of every day and making life and death decisions on the spot for these millions of people is just quite amusing.

Animal cruelty

We recently had an appointment at a local animal clinic.

A woman brought in a dog who had been tied to a sign with “Take me home” on it. When the vet looked at him he was sunburned and starved from being left tied up for so long.

I want to tell the people who went past that dog and did nothing that I’m so appalled at the people of this area. So many people have a lot and they don’t want their animals to be treated kindly.

Angry mobs

Remember it was approximately 2000 years ago when an angry mob shouted ‘Crucify him!’ for no good reason at all, other than because he healed a man on the Sabbath. Now an angrier mob is shouting ‘Impeach this man!’ for no good reason, other than he lowered taxes.

Re: ‘Divine Intervention’

In response to the divine interventor: You asked, ‘Where did your science send you when Dorian hit and what did you do when you came home?’

Funny thing, I never went anywhere because Science (Meteorology) told me that Dorian would stay offshore. The facts don’t care about your feelings.

In science, extraordinary claims demand extraordinary evidence.

Re: ‘Deep State Fears’

I want to give Kudos to the author of ‘Deep State Fears.’ That was an excellent article describing the intense fervor and hatred of a political party that was defeated in a political campaign. They believed they should have won even when they also thought they had the deck stacked against their opponent.

They had forgotten one thing, the voters choice and the ballot box.

Even before the President was sworn into office the plot was on the overthrown his Presidency.

Here is the ironic part of the plan: Democrats today have a chant to elimiate ICE, why? Because they are the law enforcement agency under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security principally responsible for immigration enforcement.

That is a thorn in the side of Democrats, since they are for open borders, sanctuary cities/counties/states, and want a free flow of immigration.

On the flip side we have the CIA, who are now at the forefront with agents, ex-agents and ex-directors coming forward in lock-step talking about being in a brotherhood and protecting their own. Yet now we know they were in collusion with the leaders of the FBI in the scheme to bring down President Trump.

Now is it time to disband the CIA? My vote is yes. The CIA has been wrong in every major situation in the world for the past 60 years, yes since they were created after World War II.

You name a major event and the CIA was wrong, and in conjunction they were involved in more assassinations of world leaders; turmoil in the Southern Hemisphere; the Iran gun-running with Ronald Reagan; with the drugs (crack cocaine) into Los Angeles; and the weapons to the cartels under Obama.

Their ex-Director Brennan is constantly on TV chanting that the President is a traitor without a shred of evidence, he was wrong during the Mueller investigation, he was wrong during the Stormy Daniels review, he was wrong with the list of women that came forward (some wanted Trump’s autograph), he was wrong when Trump said he believed Putin over the Intelligence Agencies (Brennan of course was the lying ex-Director) but there is no penalty for being wrong.

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‘I can’t print!’

You wouldn’t believe how many times I hear that each day!

My associates in the technical support field and I get a chuckle over just how many service calls we answer with that problem description - “I can’t print.” The tricky part of it is just how many things could possibly be wrong to cause the issue in the first place. Sure we usually start trouble shooting with the obvious stuff like “is the printer turned on”? Or “are the cables connecting the printer to the computer plugged in properly”? But most of the time the solution isn’t that obvious. And again there could be a number of reasons why nothing is coming out of the printer.

“I can’t print!”

I don’t think people quite understand that when you get a call with a problem description like that you really have no idea what you are getting into because let’s face it – on the surface it looks easy enough; just go out there and fix the printer. But the reality of it can be much different.

You see, there are a ton of things that have to happen right in order for a print job to make it from a program to the actual printer. A failure in any number of different places can result in the same thing – no printer output. And often without any error message to tell you what could be going wrong.

To the end user it looks like a printer issue, click print and nothing happens? Must be a problem with the printer. Unfortunately chasing down a printer problem can be a time consuming and frustrating chore. Let’s take a look at some of the things that have to be correct starting from the printer and working back to the computer. Like I said earlier, the first things we usually check are the obvious ones; is the printer turned on? Is it plugged in? Is there any paper loaded properly in the paper tray? These are the questions that we usually ask the end user over the phone and most of the time the answers we get are accompanied by heavy sighs. “Yes, it’s turned on” and “yes, plugged in.” I know these obvious questions can be annoying but there are times when that is the problem – maybe a cable jiggled loose – and (as annoying as these questions can be) checking there is the first place to start. Most of the time however, the problem is somewhere deeper and we may end up having to set up a time to connect and have a look.

Sometimes the issue is the ink cartridge. If the printer has been sitting there unused for a long period of time the cartridge may be full but little “ink scabs” have formed over the nozzles preventing the ink from squirting out but still registering as full. That problem will often manifest itself as “blank, pages printing” or lines appearing throughout the printed document. The fix for that is often a thorough cleaning (or, if the cartridge is really old, a fresh ink cartridge).

Moving our focus away from the printer and to the computer the next question we ask is “can the operating system (usually Windows but the same concepts apply to Macs) even see the printer? If we take a look at the printer settings in Windows and send print jobs to unexpected places if you are not familiar with them or if the printer settings are changed by someone who is not aware of the consequences of their actions. There is a whole column that is dedicated to printer settings and error messages.

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district decides how to move forward. “After the last meeting where you all approved my more reduced contract and the role of our firm, the following few business days Mr. [Robert] Goldman promptly received multiple contracts to review,” he said, referring to his fellow attorney at the firm. “So, I emailed every administrator that we worked with commonly to help them understand that that is not a role that we were going to continue in. I’m going to be calling each of you to see if we can go to lunch. I just want to share with you visually my perspective on the school board attorney role and therefore allow you all to make the decisions that you all need to make going forward.”

District 3 Board Member Victoria Defenthaler told her fellow Board members she had been weighing the pros and cons of utilizing outside attorney services versus having an on-staff attorney over the last couple of months and created a comparison chart for their purview.

“I noticed that in January 2018 the Martin County School Board looked at a document that... was entitled the Escambia County District Legal Function and [it] was an analysis of legal fees in comparison to other Florida school districts,” she said. “Basically it was looking at the pros and cons of in-house versus outside counsel, which were very similar to the ones I have documented and they’re up on the screen right now.”

Even though she admitted that an outside attorney search might not produce a suitable candidate, Ms. Defenthaler said her time as a principal at Bessy Creek Elementary before her 2016 retirement affirmed her preference for an on-staff attorney.

“As a principal, I felt like it was invaluable to me to have someone that was in-house on staff, and I think many of the staff members felt it was very helpful to do that because we had someone who could answer the questions,” she explained. “An in-house counsel would have a broad understanding of the District and how it operates, among other things, I believe it would benefit us to have it in-house; however, I also understand that what we need to look at the cost benefits, as well as the [other] benefits it could provide.”

Ms. Defenthaler believes the District could significantly save legal costs if it finds a suitable outside candidate for the position. She compared the current staff attorney salary with what the School Board currently pays for outside legal help.

“Our staff attorney salary and benefits total $153,000, which equals $74 per hour and that includes benefits,” she emphasized. “With the firm of Fox, McCluskey, Bush and Robison, we pay $225 per hour, plus we have to pay for administrative costs. As a Board, we just need to determine what direction we want to go in. We might want to look at developing a timeline of what we need to do. So I think that’s the process, I just want this to move along, and we haven’t really been doing that.”

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Cars
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with bad credit almost always pay dealers a higher profit than those with good credit.

(6) “Who should be held responsible for car dealers ripping off customers?” For categories (1) through (5), the answer is our regulators and our lawmakers. But for the last category, “Everybody else,” it’s themselves.

Of course, it goes without saying that the car dealers who do this are responsible too. But who doesn’t know that car dealers perennially rank last on the annual Gallup “Honesty and Ethics in Professions” poll? I received an email from a woman who fell in none of the first five categories above. She was terribly victimized by a woman who fell in none of the first five categories above. She was terribly victimized by a car dealer for reputation. She didn’t check any sources like Consumer Reports for recommendations. She didn’t ask for or receive a CarFax report on either used car. Nor did she have it in-house; however, I also understand that what we need to look at the cost benefits, as well as the [other] benefits it could provide.”

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Rezoning

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for implementation.

Rio Civic Club representative Julie Priest was one of only two members of the public to address the LPA on the Rio rezoning issues and begged its members to recommend approval.

"We ask and strongly urge you to please approve all this magnificent work that took up to 20 years to finally get," she said. "For the last 20 years of our redevelopment program, we have been trying to apply suburban codes to urban, small-lot areas, and we have had very little in fill. With these new changes, we have hopes to breathe more vitality back into all six of the neighborhoods, I think we’ve paved the other way for 20 years, and we would like to start going in a different direction with your approval."

Senior Planner Irene Szedlmayer reminded Agency members that the same Future Land Use Map changes they previously recommended for Jensen Beach were being recommended for the Rio CRA as well. This means zoning will be simplified from the current 11 zoning designations down to only two. Land development regulations are being crafted uniquely to each CRA.

"The proposed amendment of the Future Land Use Map removes the estate density, low density, medium density, mobile home density, commercial office/residential, limited commercial and general commercial and the four future land use mixed land use overlays from the Rio CRA," she said. "It assigns the CRA Center Future Land Use Designation and the CRA Neighborhood Future Land Use Designation to the CRA."

After studying the proposed Future Land Use Map for a few moments, Chairman James Moir expressed concern about a few lots that exist all the way from County Road 707 down to the St. Lucie River. Although the long, narrow parcels are still the CRA Neighborhood designation, the first 200 feet of the CRA Center as Irene mentioned before, bear the CRA Neighborhood designation, the first 200 feet of the CRA Center are treated differently in the LDRs.

"We’re in the most recent revision creating a few sections, especially on the southern side of 707, that are separate CRA Centers that are disconnected or disunified because there are residential lots," he said. "If you go along 707, there is one regular lot that separates the CRA Center, and in the previous Orr Overlay those were included. You’ve created two separations, and I’m not sure whether the policy is unified."

Chairman Moir was particularly concerned that the proposed Future Land Use Map reflected the entire parcels as being residential via the CRA Neighborhood designation, while the LDRs permit commercial uses in the first 200 feet in from the roadway. He believes adding an asterisk or footnote to the map would prevent surprises to unwary landowners and aid potential developers.

"There are special rules set up by the regulating plan put on them yet. "You have to go and look into the new Chap 18, which is what explains what the rules are now for the CRA areas. Putting an asterisk on a map does not accomplish what I think is your concern, which is long skinny parcels that may not have the right designation put on them yet."

Comprehensive Planning Administrator Clyde Dulin then chimed in.

"If a customer walks in and says what can I do with that lot, they might have looked at the Future Land Use Map, and they’re going to want to know more than that, such as setbacks, building heights, lot coverage and permitted uses," he said. "And in this case in this code, building types that are allowed on the frontage, and none of that is found on this Future Land Use Map. So, to answer any and all of those questions, they’re going to start with the regulating plan."

For her part, Ms. Szedlmayer emphasized the cohesiveness of each zoning document.

"One of the strengths of this is that the Future Land Use Map and the zoning map and the regulatory plan in the LDRs really are a unified whole," she said. "We think the combination of this Future Land Use Map with the regulating plan in the LDRs is pretty consistent with what we have now."

Regional Planning Council planner Dana Little emphasized the conflict the Rio lots in question posed on the staff trying to simplify zoning in the area.

"We spent a lot of time discussing this, and we worked with legal staff as well as there are current development rights of commercial uses facing Dixie Highway on those four parcels," he explained. "However, we were concerned that by changing it to CRA Center as Irene mentioned before, you’d be intruding over 600 feet of potential commercial uses into a single-family neighborhood. So, our feeling was that better we address that in the regulating plan where we’ve placed on asterisk on all of those four properties and identified that the commercial uses are retained on those properties for a depth of 200 feet."

Mr. Dulin concurred and believed zoning issues will still be much simpler.

"Taking away the overlays takes away a great deal of complexity and confusion," he said. "While I acknowledge this one narrow lot right here creates an interesting challenge for us, but it’s still less complicated than having overlays on top of zoning or on top of future land use designations. It’s still a substantial improvement in ease of understanding."

The LPA subsequently voted unanimously to recommend approval of the Zoning Atlas, Future Land Use Map and amendments to the CRA land development regulations.
Volunteers needed to pack holiday food boxes

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FORT PIERCE — The Treasure Coast Food Bank will hold their fifth annual Pack The House volunteer event from 8 a.m. Fri., Oct. 25, to noon Sat., Oct. 26.

During the continuous event, volunteers of all ages will package food for holiday meals, with a goal of preparing 10,000 holiday food boxes.

TCFB is the only food bank and largest hunger relief organization on the Treasure Coast, each year providing millions of meals valued at more than $50 million in partnership with 400 charitable organizations in Indian River, St. Lucie, Martin, and Okeechobee counties.

Last year more than 500 volunteers packed over 10,000 holiday meal boxes in 24 hours. Pack The House has become TCFB’s signature event.

"The holidays are a time when we yearn to enjoy the spirit of giving, and there's no greater gift than giving your time to those who are less fortunate," said Judith Cruz, president and CEO of Treasure Coast Food Bank. "We're thankful to have Wells Fargo as our presenting sponsor again this year, and we look forward to seeing everyone who participates each year at Pack The House."

Pack The House began five years ago, and each year brings out more than 500 volunteers who work in shifts to pack and sort food and other essentials in the TCFB warehouse for distribution to those in need in the community.

Pack The House begins on Oct. 25 with an 8 a.m. kickoff breakfast provided by Treasure Coast Food Bank’s Healthy Harvest Catering. Packing will begin after the breakfast.

Refreshments will be available throughout, provided by Moonswinners Bar-B-Q, Cobbs Landing, Pappy's Pizza, The Cake Lady, Dunkin Brands, Dixie Cream Donuts, and Starbucks Coffee. There will also be music.

The event wraps at noon on Oct. 26 with a final tally of everything that has been packaged.

Everyone age eight and over is invited to sign up and participate. Volunteers 16 and younger must have adult supervision. Advance registration is required for three-hour shifts Friday starting at 9 a.m., noon, 3 p.m., 6 p.m., 9 p.m., and Saturday morning at 9 a.m.

Due to safety concerns, all volunteers must wear close-toed shoes (no sandals or flip flops) and clothes appropriate to work in a warehouse environment.

Join in by becoming a sponsor, or signing up to participate at stophunger.org/event/5th-annual-pack-the-house/.

For more information, call (772) 489-3034, visit stophunger.org or facebook.com/tcfoodbank, or follow on Twitter at twitter.com/tcfoodbank.

The Treasure Coast Food Bank Distribution Center is located at 401 Angle Road, Fort Pierce.
STUART – Halloween is right around the corner and there’s magic in the air. Just in time for the holiday is the A.C.T. Studio Theatre’s production of John Van Druten’s play Bell, Book and Candle, this weekend and next weekend in Stuart.

The play is a romantic comedy about a witch who casts a spell on a man whom she finds attractive. He becomes instantly enamored with her, but there’s one small caveat…Witches can’t fall in love, and a series of predicaments ensues. The play originally premiered on Broadway in 1950 and was made into a film starring James Stewart and Kim Novak. “It was the inspiration for the TV show Bewitched,” explained Dennis O’Donovan, producer, creative director, and technical director for A.C.T. Studio Theatre, “and it manages the same entertainment perfect for the Halloween season. Bell, Book and Candle is not the theatre’s first seasonal show, and it certainly won’t be the last. Founded in 2014 by Ed Wilhelms and now running as a non-profit in Martin County, A.C.T. Studio Theatre has done numerous shows put on especially for the holidays. “We’ve done It’s a Wonderful Life, we’ve done Christmas concerts, we did A Christmas Carol last year, it was terrific,” said Karen O’Donovan, producer for A.C.T. See THEATRE, page 14

The Holroyds and Shep discuss the publication of Sidney Redlich’s latest book on magic. From left, Becca Roy as Nicky Holroyd; Robert Geller as Sidney Redlich; Samantha McCue as Gillian Holroyd; and David Tanner as Shep Henderson.

Out & about

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11 THROUGH SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20
• It’s Halloween Season: A.C.T. presents “Bell, Book and Candle” by John Van Druten. Gillian Holroyd is one of the few modern people who can actually cast spells and perform feats of supernaturalism. She casts a spell over a publisher, Shepherd Henderson, partly to keep him away from a rival and partly because she is attracted to him. He falls head over heels in love with her at once and wants to marry her. But witches, unfortunately, cannot fall in love, and this minute imperfection leads to a number of complications. Performances Oct. 11 - 20: Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00 p.m.; Sundays at 3:00 p.m. A.C.T. Studio Theatre, Cedar Pointe Plaza, 2399 SE Ocean Blvd., Stuart.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15
• Taste of Martin County 2019: Join us from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. The Big Taste of Martin County is the premier food and wine festival bringing the community together for an evening of fun, food, wine, craft beer, music, and more! Over 30 local restaurants serve their best culinary samples while competing to be the “best” in Martin County. Guests attending will not only receive all of the food and dessert samplings for their admission, but it will also include all wine, beer, and liquor samplings. All of the proceeds benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters of Palm Beach and Martin Counties, a nonprofit creating and supporting one-to-one mentoring relationships that ignite the power and promise of youth. Stuart Jet Center, 2501 SE Aviation Way, Stuart.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17
• Bingo Italian Night: Every third Thursday at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, 5150 S.E. Railway Avenue, Cove Road at Old Dixie Highway, Port Salerno. Doors open at 5 p.m.; dinner is at 5:30 p.m.; Bingo begins at 6:30 p.m. Cost of $10 includes a Bingo card and a pasta dinner with salad and dessert. Beer and wine will be available for a donation along with the purchase of

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Horoscopes

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, this week may start off somewhat unbalanced. Work may be demanding more of you, and you’re finding it tough to even out the field. By midweek you’ll regain control.
TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
Make the necessary changes in your life to get back on target, Taurus. These goals may run the gamut from fitness to career. Put the future in focus.
GEMINI - May 22/ Jun 21
You may be inspired to do something creative but don’t know where to focus your attention just yet, Gemini. Look to Sagittarius as a good source of inspiration.
CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 23
Cancer, this week you may be unable to keep everything as organized as you would like. Take a cue from someone you know is always organized.
LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, no one seems willing or able to grab the reins, but you can be an excellent leader in this situation.
VIRGO - Aug 23/Sept 22
Expand your social circles and you may meet some influential people, Virgo. This can help spread the word about your stellar reputation and open doors to opportunities.
LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, after you get through an exciting event, life may slow down for a little while. But you can find plenty of ways to infuse some excitement into your days.
SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
You cannot seem to focus your attention on one thing for more than a few minutes, Scorpio. Random thoughts, however distracting, can inspire new ideas.
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Help us celebrate one of the Treasure Coast's most popular pastimes by submitting a photo of your most recent catch – straight from local waters. Email a photo of you with your fish that is at least 1 MB or 300 dpi in size to newsfp@hometownnewsmediagroup.com. Write “CATCH OF THE WEEK” in the subject line, and in the body of the email, please include the following information:

- Your name
- City you live in
- Age (if 18 or younger)
- Type of fish
- Approximate size of fish
- Area you caught the fish
- Phone number in case we have questions (will not be printed)

This December, A.C.T. will feature a production of A Tuna Christmas, written by Jaston Williams, Joe Sears, and Ed Howard, just in time for the winter holidays. A.C.T. has also put on several Shakespeare plays in the past, including Romeo and Juliet, Macbeth, and The Tempest. There is usually “at least one musical a year,” according to Karen O’Donovan, and this January, A.C.T. will produce the musical Cabaret, which first found immense success on Broadway in 1966. A.C.T. also hosts several acting workshops throughout the year for both beginner and intermediate levels.

For this October, audiences to A.C.T.'s production of Bell, Book and Candle can expect fun, charm, and just a bit of good-natured mischief. There will be performances on October 11th, 12th, and 13th, as well as October 18th, 19th, and 20th. Friday and Saturday performances will be at 8 p.m., with Sunday matinee performances at 3 p.m.

Advanced tickets can be purchased for $25 each and buying tickets ahead of time is strongly recommended. Tickets and more information can be found by visiting actstudiotheatre.com, or by calling (772) 932-8880, with student and group discounts available by phone.
No longer cooking for my wife – not

That's right, no more gourmet meals or special intimate dinners, not even a special snack, nothing!

She can start eating TV dinners or even better yet, she can cook her own meals. OK, feel better now that I got that off my chest and had an adult beverage to calm me down. So what happened to make a perfect-ly delightful chef with no ego, well maybe a little ego, get so upset? Here's the story—you decide.

Last Saturday started like most Saturdays in our household with my wife sleeping in and myself getting up at 5 a.m. I can't help it, too many years in the kitchen. I read the paper and had four cups of coffee, so now I am ready to face the day.

Over the years, Saturday morning meals have become a family tradition where I make a special breakfast for my wife and mother-in-law. I really look forward to making it a special occasion by coming up with something unusual and tasty. For example, they both like pumpkin, so I made maple syrup pumpkin pecan pancakes with turkey sausage. Another time, I prepared egg custard French toast using Italian panettone fruit bread and there is prepared egg custard French toast using Italian panettone fruit bread and there is

large eggs and a tablespoon of milk and started whipping it together until it was well blended. I set it aside. I prepared one cup fresh spinach leaves, ¼ cup sliced Kalamata olives, ¼ cup sliced red onions, ¼ cup small chopped plum, heritage or Roma tomatoes (your choice), and ¼ cup feta cheese crumbled. I took a small frying pan and added 2 teaspoons of olive oil and 1 teaspoon of unsalt-ed butter. I preheated a pan over medium heat. I then placed all the ingredients, except the eggs, into the pan and cooked the ingredients until vegetables were tender and blended well. I set that aside and kept it warm.

I took my nonstick egg pan heating a lit-tle butter and olive oil on medium heat and added the beaten eggs. I kept stirring the eggs until it started to firm up and then I slowly folded the eggs over and over into a beautiful egg omelet. Finally I arranged the cooked vegetables over the top making a wonderful presentation.

I served it to my wife anticipating rave reviews. All I received was silence. NOTHING, not even a comment. My chef ego couldn't take it, so I had to ask, how is your omelet? It's fine, she said. How about my placing the ingredients on top instead of cooking it in the omelet? That was nice.

I was furious. In my mind I thought she does not appreciate anything I cooked for her. She is ungrateful.

The next day I was still fuming when she said, honey here is the sticker for your license plate and your new insurance card. I also checked your calendar, made your den-tist appointment and your annual checkup with our family physician. I will be a little late getting home today because I'm taking mom for her blood tests. I also made arrangements for someone to take care of the lawn this Saturday so you won't have to worry about it and, oh, the service rep is coming today to check on the refrigerator door.

Then it hit me, Wow, ungrateful … YES, but I was the guilty party! Then memories of things she does for the family rushed through my empty head. The time she had installed a large kitchen sink to make it eas-ier for me to work in the kitchen. How she and our daughter had painted the kitchen to make it brighter. The list was endless.

That's when it hit me, I need to give her a menu to choose from during the week instead of Saturday being a special day. I would add a Sunday brunch for her, too. But most of all, I would thank her for all that she does and let her know how much she is appreciated.

Costa Magoulas is dean of the Mori Hos-seini College of Hospitality and Culinary Management at Daytona State College. Contact him at (386) 506-3578 or magoulc@ daytonastate.edu.
Touring with the Townies

Are you a fan of the Hometown News? Well, we are inviting you to take us along on your next adventure. Each week, we will feature a different reader-submitted photo that showcases one (or more) of our Treasure Coast residents reading the Hometown News in a unique or exotic place. Whether you take a trip to the Grand Canyon or a cruise to the Bahamas, bring your Hometown News with you and have someone snap a picture.

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Linda Groover of Hobe Sound on April 18, 2019 was at the Gold Souq (City of Gold), in Dubai, UAE.

Out

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Tickets with discounted prices will be available online. More Info: 772-532-8089; www.friendsofjdsp.org

Why: To entertain and educate the community on the importance of prescribed fire for our wildlife and future generations. Benefiting: The Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park.

• Saddle up: The Wild West Children’s Ball is on November 16th at 6 p.m. Our annual Children’s Ball event is all about the kids and this year, we are bringing the Wild West to the Treasure Coast. Wild West themed crafts, game/activity stations, dessert bar, silent & live auctions, as well as a special Wild West performance are on the agenda for the evening. Ticket prices are $30 for Children or $40 for Adults. Horses must stay in the stables. All guests will enjoy an Adult & Child Buffet sponsored by Sonny’s BBQ and adults will receive two drink tickets to use at the Saloon Bar. Mark yourself as ‘Interested’ or ‘Going’ for updates on tickets and details for this year’s event. Our event committee is working hard to bring a Shin Dig fun enough to knock your boots off. Contact us at donations@childrensmuseumtc.org or (772) 225-7575 Ext. 205 to find out about the multiple sponsorship packages available; promotion included on social media, at the event, e-mail blasts, and on the mailed invitation. Find us at The Children’s Museum of the Treasure Coast, 1707 NE Indian River Drive, Jensen Beach.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

• The Essentials of Immune Health: It starts in the Gut Immune development begins before birth and a variety of factors influence its activity (both positively and negatively). These factors include age, diet, stress, gastrointestinal health, toxic

Scopes

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SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, you may like to tackle projects all by yourself, but sometimes letting someone else get the job done frees up opportunities to recharge your batteries.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
It may finally be time to get serious about getting out in the job market once more, Capricorn. Whether you’re looking for a new job or returning after a hiatus, retool your résumé.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
While success brings you many things, it can feel lonely at the top, Aquarius. Surround yourself with associates who can be a sounding board and offer assistance.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
Take time to listen more and speak less, Pisces. Doing so allows you to make a better assessment of what those around you need and want.
Parents who have questions about their child’s path to college success are invited to attend an upcoming Indian River State College (IRSC) Parent Information Night and see firsthand what the IRSC offers. From career-training programs that include automotive, welding and HVAC, to Associate Degree and Bachelor’s Degree programs, IRSC provides the education and training students need for success in rewarding, high-demand career fields.

IRSC Parent Information Nights are planned for the following locations and dates:
- Monday, October 14, 5:30–6:30 p.m. Historic Sebastian School, 1235 Main Street, Room 3, Sebastian.
- Monday, October 14, 6:00–7:00 p.m. Pruitt Campus, Schreiber Conference Center, 500 N.W. California Blvd., Port St. Lucie.
- Tuesday, October 15, 5:30–6:30 p.m. Mueller Campus, Richardson Conference Center, 6155 College Lane, Vero Beach.
- Tuesday, October 15, 6:00–7:00 p.m. Dixon Hendry Campus, Williamson Conference Center, 2229 N.W. 9th Avenue, Okeechobee.
- Wednesday, October 16, 5:30–6:30 p.m. Main Campus, Kight Center for Emerging Technologies, 3209 Virginia Avenue, Fort Pierce.
- Thursday, October 17, 6:00–7:00 p.m. Chastain Campus, Johnson Auditorium, 2400 S.E. Salerno Road, Stuart.
- Friday, October 25 through Sunday, October 27
  - A.C.T. presents Film Screening: “Neither Wolf Nor Dog.” Native American-themed film. Roaring Fire Films Presents a film by Steven Lewis Simpson. Adapted from the best-selling Native American novel “Neither Wolf Nor Dog” by Kent Nerburn, the story follows a white author who gets sucked into the heart of contemporary Native American life in the sparse lands of the Dakotas by a 95-year-old Lakota elder and his sidekick. No other novel is acknowledged as so successfully bridging the gap between white America and the Native American world. The film has become the most successful self-distributed movie in some time in the U.S. Named Best Film of 2017, Louis Fowler, Oklahoma Film Critics Circle. Movie times Oct. 25 at 7:00 p.m., Oct. 26 at 2:00 and 7:00 p.m., Oct. 27 at 2:00 p.m. A.C.T. Studio Theatre, Cedar Pointe Plaza, 2398 S.E. Ocean Blvd, Stuart. Tickets $12. For tickets and information please call (772) 932-8880 or visit actstudiotheatre.com
Banner Lake invites public to the official ribbon cutting of their new community center

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HOBESOUND – When a community unites to help those in need the ripple effect is a powerful life changing force. That’s just what’s happening in Banner Lake, a historic and underserved neighborhood in Hobe Sound. The nonprofit Banner Lake Club had outgrown their aging facility, a vibrant community fixture in the heart of Banner Lake since the 1930s. Through the generosity and passionate commitment of private donors, funds were raised and a new building was constructed providing an opportunity for the Banner Lake Club to vastly expand and sustain its programs and services.

In celebration of the new Community Center’s much anticipated completion, an official ribbon cutting ceremony, grand tour and BBQ will take place on Friday, October 11 from 4:30 pm – 6:00 pm at the Center, located at 12212 SE Lantana Avenue in Hobe Sound. The public is invited to attend along with residents, volunteers, students, dignitaries and community partners.

“The Banner Lake Club has evolved since its founding more than 80 years ago, serving as a gathering place for special events, educational programs, a food pantry and senior services. The original Club facility also housed the popular Banner Lake After School Time for Children (B.L.A.S.T) program which it will continue to offer in its new expanded space. B.L.A.S.T provides youth, ages 5 through 18, with free after school and summer programming including homework assistance, arts and crafts, music, physical fitness and health and wellness activities and services.

The new Community Center will enable B.L.A.S.T to increase its impact, growing the number of youth served from 35 to 65 students during the school year, and more than 100 in the summer.

The new expanded facility will now also serve as home to a private Academy for local kindergarten and first graders, initially totaling 24 students. The Academy is designed to nurture children in a safe environment with a small student-to-teacher ratio, providing them with an optimal learning environment upon which to build a strong educational foundation.

“This remarkable new Community Center and Academy is a game changer for the Banner Lake community and would not have been possible without the incredible generosity of many donors,” said Missy Crisp, Board Member and long-time philanthropist. “We are delighted this wonderful gift to Banner Lake is at last a reality and we will be able to provide even more opportunities to better the lives of those living in and around the community.”

In addition to private individual donations, grant funding from both the Children’s Services Council of Martin County and the Hobe Sound Community Chest made the Academy and the expansion of the B.L.A.S.T program a reality. “It is truly amazing to have something so positive and beneficial to the residents of our Banner Lake community,” said Chenelle Weaver, a longtime resident of the Banner Lake neighborhood.

“My child is attending the new Banner Lake Academy and loves it. The class size is much smaller than public school and it shows in the positive behavior and improved academics of the children. As a mother, that makes me so happy and proud.”

For more information about the ribbon cutting ceremony, BBQ, and grand tour of the new facility, or to RSVP, please call 772-545-0953 or email office@thebannerlakeclubinc.org. The event is free and the public is invited to celebrate this special event along with residents, volunteers, students, dignitaries and community partners.

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your spine. A hilarious joke that tickles your funny bone. Join us at 3 p.m. as we giggle, chuckle and laugh our way to Halloween here at The Children’s Museum of the Treasure Coast. Join us for crafts, trick or treating, and a special appearance from some critters of the night. Don’t forget to make your way into the Glow Zone beneath the Pirate Ship. You won’t want to miss this.

Treasure Coast. Join us for crafts, trick or treating, and a special appearance from some critters of the night. Don’t forget to make your way into the Glow Zone beneath the Pirate Ship. You won’t want to miss this.

Located at the Children’s Museum of the Treasure Coast, 5707 NE Indian River Drive, Jensen Beach.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

• Feathers, Fangs, Fur and FUN: Beach Wildlife Sanctuary’s 8th Annual Feathers, Fangs, Fur & Fun, a Halloween event for the whole family! This special event takes place on Sunday, October 27 from 11AM–2PM. Kids and families are invited to walk the Sanctuary in costume, while collecting candy and meeting animal ambassadors. Join the spooky Sanctuary staff and animals and venture through the Cypress Swamp board walks and Pineland Natural trail. There will be Wildlife Encounters and Story Time in the Cypress Amphitheater for guests along with games and crafts in the Picnic Area.

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Visit www.StuartAirShow.com for event info/tickets
Admission for this event is a $5 donation per person and will be collected upon entry. Fall snacks will be provided by Trader Joes in Palm Beach Gardens! Busch Wildlife also supports the Teal Pumpkin Project, a movement to raise awareness of food allergies and to create a safer, more inclusive Halloween for all trick-or-treaters. Located at The Busch Wildlife Sanctuary, 2500 Jupiter Park Drive, Jupiter.

ONGOING EVENTS

• Under the Stars at Terra Fermata Tiki Bar: Join us every Thursday from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for performance by Hurricane Hawk & The Invaders. A BluesBerry Hawksye Production Event will be located at 26 SE 6 st., Stuart.

• Karaoke and Trivia nights: A Kiss By A Rose DJ's present every Monday through Thursday. Karaoke is offered every Friday and on the first and third weekend every month. Below are listed Venue locations and times:

  Monday- 7p.m. to 9p.m
  Hurricanes (Stuart)
  Hurricanes (Tradition)

  Tuesday- 7p.m. to 9p.m
  Hurricanes (Jensen Beach)
  Island Root Kava Bar (Stuart)
  (Second and Fourth week each Month)

  Wednesday- 7p.m. to 9p.m
  Maya’s Mexican Grill (Palm City)
  8p.m. To 10p.m

  Applebee’s (Fort Pierce)
  (Port St. Lucie).

  Thursday- 7p.m. to 9p.m.
  Saint Lucie Trails Golf Course (Saint Lucie West).

  Friday- 9p.m. to 12a.m.
  Applebee’s (Fort Pierce)

  With 14 years of DJ experience we specialize in Weddings, Parties, Trivia, Karaoke, Ceremonies, Benefits and more. We also include uplighting, making for a memorable event with great music and hosts.

  For more information visit: www.akissbyarose.com, email: akissbyarose1@aol.com or call Steve and Sue at (772) 215-2774 or (772) 215-2566

EVERY OTHER TUESDAY

• NOTES Music Room & Wine Bar: Every Tuesday from 6:30 p.m. to 10:15 p.m., all types of musicians, vocalists, poets, and other great performers come to NOTES to share their talents! This is a very entertaining evening! Come perform OR just listen, watch and enjoy Beer & Wine Specials all evening.

  Hutchinson Shores Resort & Spa is offering Pizza Classes at Drift Kitchen & Bar on weekends from 2-3 p.m. and 4-5 p.m.

  Hutchinson Shores Resort & Spa’s Pizza Classes will provide visitors with the opportunity to craft a delicious pizza while learning techniques and using fresh ingredients, including local produce and delicious cheeses. For $24 per person, guests can make, mix and add favorite toppings to a quality pie, and will receive an embroidered Drift Kitchen & Bar apron, along with a copy of the pizza dough recipe.

  Dates and times of events vary depending on occupancy, so please call (772) 334-1950 for further details.

• Girl Talk At Gilberts: On the second Wednesday of every month at 11:00 a.m. get together for casual networking, meeting, and supporting other women. No elevator speeches, no speakers, and no schedule.

  Enjoy delicious coffees, teas, smoothies, and snacks at the beautiful Gilbert’s Coffee Bar on the St. Lucie River. We meet monthly on the second Wednesday. Gilbert’s is located at the marina next door to Sailor’s Return. Be sure to take advantage of the complimentary valet service at Sailor’s Return. Located at 615 SW Anchorag Way, Stuart.

  • Join us at the Sneaki Tiki Restaurant and Bar: Downtown Stuart on the first Sunday of each month starting at high noon for some camaraderie and Code Rum Cocktails featuring the Bloody Pirate, arrr version of Bloody Mary. “We’re gonna change the way you drink!” There will always be Live

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Movie Lines

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Shuckers (Jensen Beach)
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Hurricanes (Jensen Beach)
Island Root Kava Bar (Stuart)
(Second and Fourth week each Month)

1 Lap up
2 Chopping into pieces
3 Tests of a will
20 Less common
21 Maine national park
22 Attendance check
23 Line from “Star Wars”
26 Singer Curtankel
27 Castle buffers
28 “Death of a Salesman”
protagonist
29 Fleur-de-
30 Turn on
32 City east of Lagos
33 Splash through
water, e.g.
35 Line from “Grand Hotel”
40 Midwest hub
41 French bench
42 “Over the Rainbow”
composes
43 Calla lily is one
44 Music halls
45 Misrepresented
47 Line from “The
Terminator”
52 Midnight sheath
54 Schemes
55 Alder tree
56 Black sea city
58 Bailey or Buck
60 Rocks de bra
62 Line from “The Wizard of Oz”
67 Ethiopian city
68 Fonda’s first Oscar
69 Mayo
70 Fast
79 Before, to Burns
81 “First” dos
83 Tar or gob
75 Line from “Sudden
Tuesday”
78 Mislead
86 Muslim holymen
88 Villainous visage
89 Athenian legislator
90 Site of Hammid’s
defeat
97 Texas breakfast choice
89 Line from “Jerry
Maguire”
94 Iranian Indians
95 ___ nine
96 ___ to 73 Across
97 Young ‘un
98 Promote
99 Mature
101 Altar declaration
104 Line from “Apollo 13”
110 Praise
111 Come out
112 “Good Times” Esther
113 Became ill again
114 Fixed food allowance
115 Beau

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Reviving golf in Brevard County

In 2016, Brevard County threw in the towel and decided to get out of the golf business. The County’s three courses, Spradell Holland in Melbourne Beach, The Habitat at Valkaria and Savannahs at Sykes Creek in Merritt Island were losing money and saw their future as golf courses very much in doubt.

Fast-forward to 2018. The county decided to look at two course management proposals with a pair of local organizations. Ownership of Savannahs at Sykes Creek would be taken by the Savannahs at Sykes Creek Homeowners’ Association. Nonprofit Golf Breard, Inc. would take over management of Spradell Holland and The Habitat.

Brevard County was happy to be out of the golf business and rid itself of a sizable financial strain on the Parks and Recreation Department and the County’s coffers. The County accepted the proposals and washed its hands.

Golf Breard is a group of successful businessmen with a deep love for the game and a desire to keep its pair of wonderful courses open for play. The plan sounded simple enough. Improve the course conditions and thereby boost the number of golfers playing the courses and the course’s revenue. It wasn’t quite that simple, and certainly not without a lot of sweat and money, but it has worked.

The Habitat has a special meaning for me. My late friend and award-winning golf course architect Charles Ankrom designed it. A design that he was extremely proud of. Prior to this past weekend, my last round there was one that I played with him over a decade ago. It meant a lot to me, and I know it would have to him too. So, when I saw the course, I warmed my heart to see the lush, green fairways, tees and greens as I drove up the entrance road.

One of my good friends from high school joined me and he immediately noticed the improvements all around. He had seen the course at its worst last summer and, he too, remembered a time long ago when the course was in fantastic shape. He was pleased to see it is on the way there again.

Golf Breard brought in Mike Yurigan to be the General Manager and Director of Golf. Previously, Yurigan held the same position for nearly a decade at Meadowood Golf and Tennis Club in Fort Pierce. His task was not an easy one, but he is certainly the man for the job.

“Put my staff as priority one,” he said. “I have the right staff, I know that the customers will be well taken care of and they will come time and time again.”

When Golf Breard took over the course, it was difficult to tell fairways, tees and greens from the rough. Crab grass was everywhere and no one was waiting to play the course.

“We were fortunate that the community supported us,” Yurigan said. “They wanted this to stay a golf course and be successful as much as we did.”

So far it has been a true success. Thanks to Jamie Baker, Head Superintendent, rounds are on the rise and conditions continue to get better every week. Sure, there is a lot of work yet to be done, but the course is successful. We hit most every club in the bag. With a three-club wind, some holes were lost, but there’s just the right amount of wind and the course has a lot of character and wonderful variety.

For additional information on The Habitat at Valkaria or to make tee times, visit www.thehabitatgolf.com or call (321) 952-6312.

**The Story in the Gallery:**

Fun for the Youngest Readers The Arts Council of Martin County believes you’re never too young to appreciate the arts and has worked to enhance and elevate arts education to residents of all ages since its founding in 1980. Story Time in the Gallery is made possible by PNC Bank’s Arts Alive program and will offer art-themed story time geared preschool children and their families on the last Thursday of each month. Story time at the Key Court House Cultural Center runs from 10 -10:30 a.m. Volunteer readers from Bridges Montessori, The Pine School and PNC Bank, among others, select books that celebrate the arts in the way. Don’t miss any of the exciting monthly presentations of Story Time Programs. The Court House Cultural Center is located at 80 S.E. Ocean Boulevard, Stuart.
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
IN THE ESTATE OF
JAMES, Deceased.

CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of James, deceased, whose date of death was October 23, 2019, is pending in the Circuit Court of Martin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 100 S. Ocean Blvd., Stuart, Florida 34994. The names and addresses of the personal representatives and the attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims of or against the estate of James, deceased on or after October 23, 2019, must file their claims with this court on or before the later of (1) the time set forth in the notice or (2) three months after the date of first publication of this notice. Any unliquidated claims, on or demands against the estate of James, deceased and other persons having claims of or against the estate, who were not previously noticed, must serve their notice or claims on the personal representative, on or before the later of (1) the time set forth in the notice or (2) three months after the date of first publication of this notice. All notices of claim served must be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Martin County, Florida, Probate Division, 100 S. Ocean Blvd., Stuart, Florida 34994.

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A863 Wick, Julian, c/o Julia Sukhodolsky, Angela
B491 Cinnamongrove, Jm, 777 SW
B512 Florida Generators, Inc., 121 NW
F247 Eisnor, Ashley
F387 Collado, Richard
G265 Vosper, Brenda
H116 Layman, Conrad
K093 Langer, computer
L329 McGrew, Sandra
M432 Truth, Michael
M491 Linger, Lynn
N264 Bank, Jeffery
P368 Exley, William
S496 South, Shawn
T485 Beasler, Darrell
T935 Watson, Shona
W200 May, Betty
W315 Smith, Robert
Y805 Whaley, Charles

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